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**Cc:** MURRAY, SHARON[Murray.Sharon@epa.gov]; Emeric-Ford, Noemi[Emeric-Ford.Noemi@epa.gov]  
**From:** Clements, Mindy  
**Sent:** Fri 6/16/2017 3:49:55 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Sen. Kamala Harris interest in lead contaminated sites/Exide

Thanks nova.

Thank you,  
Mindy Clements, Superfund  
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On Jun 16, 2017, at 8:49 AM, Blazej, Nova <Blazej.Nova@epa.gov> wrote:

FYI, in case you did not see this already.

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**From:** Zito, Kelly  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 15, 2017 4:48 PM  
**To:** Glenn, William <Glenn.William@epa.gov>; Calvino, Maria Soledad <Calvino.Maria@epa.gov>; Mogharabi, Nahal <MOGHARABI.NAHAL@EPA.GOV>; Keener, Bill <Keener.Bill@epa.gov>; Gaudario, Abigail <Gaudario.Abigail@epa.gov>; R9

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**Subject:** End of Day -- June 15, 2017

## SOCIAL MEDIA & WEB

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### Social Media:

**Indoor Air** – Posted to our [Twitter](#) page an announcement of the webinar, [The Effectiveness and Cost of Reducing Particle-Related Mortality With Particle Filtration in U.S. Homes and Commercial Buildings](#).

**Healthy Homes** – Posted to our [Facebook](#) page about Healthy Homes month and indoor environmental hazards and linked to The Department of Housing and Urban Development's [Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes](#) web page.

### Web Updates:

**NPDES** – Published the [Chevron Mining, Inc.; McKinley Mine; NPDES Permit](#) and related documents.

## CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

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**Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA-28):** Today, Brent Maier confirmed a meeting with Southern California Field Office Director Steven Leonido-John with the Congressman's Burbank District Director Ann Peifer and Deputy District Director Colleen Oinuma for Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

**Sen. John McCain (R-AZ):** As a follow up to a call Brent Maier and our Brownfield Team Members, Jose Garcia and Mindy Clements had with Nick Matiella in the Senator's DC office regarding Brownfields and the Salt River area, Brent shared some follow up Brownfields Program information with Nick as well as let him know that Jose will be in Arizona in July and can meet with the Senator's Phoenix Office staff anytime between 11:00am—6:00pm on Wednesday, July 12<sup>th</sup> or from 8:00am-10:00am on Thursday, July 13<sup>th</sup> and tie Nick Matiella in via teleconference call if his schedule permits. Jose also checked in with ADEQ and the City of Phoenix and both have told Jose that they would be willing to join Jose in a meeting with the Phoenix Office staff if the Senator's office would like for them to join Jose.

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**Congressional Outreach on Bonita Peak Mining District:** Brent Maier shared a June 2017 Bonita Peak Mining District Update with Congressional staff whose States/Districts include portions of the Navajo Nation in Arizona, New Mexico, Colorado, and Utah as well as Navajo officials.

**Hot Issue Submittals for Upcoming U.S. Conference of Mayors:** Late yesterday, Brent Maier forwarded on two Hot Issues in follow up to a request from OCIR's Arnita Hannon for two of Region 9's Mayors including Greg Stanton (Phoenix, AZ), Chair, Environment Committee; and Jill Techel (Napa, CA), Co-Chair, Mayors Water Council. The Hot Issues included were Agricultural Worker Safety for both Region 9 Mayors.

**Tomorrow - Rep. Ted Lieu (D-CA-33):** Confirmed meeting of Southern California Field Office Director Steven Leonido-John with the Congressman's Los Angeles District Director Nicolas Rodriguez on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 9:00am.

**Tomorrow - Rep. Karen Bass (D-CA-37):** Confirmed meeting of Southern California Field Office Director Steven Leonido-John with the Congresswoman's Los Angeles District Director Maral Karaccusian on Friday, June 16, 2017 at 11:00am.

**Former ADEQ Director Joins EPA:** Henry Darwin, Arizona's former environmental chief, has been named EPA's assistant deputy administrator, where he will help manage day-to-day operations. He's been the state's chief operating officer since 2015 but before that served five years as director of the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality.

#### **Upcoming Congressional and Intergovernmental Meetings/Hearings:**

**Monday, June 19, 2017 - Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24):** At the request of Air Division's John Ungvarsky, Brent Maier has confirmed a call to provide Greg Haas, Field Representative in the Congressman's San Luis Obispo office with an update on a Union Pacific and air quality issue. Participants for the call will include Air Division's Matt Lakin, John Ungvarsky, Ben Machol, and Francisco Donez.

**Tuesday, June 20, 2017 - Rep. Adam Schiff (D-CA-28):** Meeting of Southern California Field Office Director Steven Leonido-John with the Congressman's Burbank District Director Ann Peifer and Deputy District Director Colleen Oinuma for Tuesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am.

**Friday – Monday, June 23 – 26, 2017 – U.S. Conference of Mayors (USCM):** The US Conference of Mayors will convene its 85th Annual Meeting in Miami Beach, FL, June 23 – 26. The Administrator was unable to accept the invitation. OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon

**Tuesday, June 27, 2017- Rep. Mimi Walters (R-CA-45):** Confirmed a meeting of Southern California Field Office Director Steven Leonido-John with the Congresswoman's Irvine District Office Director Nathaniel Serslev on Tuesday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

### **Recap of House and Senate Committee Action:**

➤ On June 13<sup>th</sup>, the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works held a hearing on the nomination of Susan Bodine to be Assistant Administrator of the Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. [More information](#)

➤ On June 14<sup>th</sup>, the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works held a hearing entitled "Legislative Hearing on S. 517, the Consumer and Fuel Retailer Choice Act." [More information](#)

➤ On June 15<sup>th</sup>, the Environment Subcommittee of the House Energy & Commerce Committee held a markup on the Ozone Standards Implementation Act of 2017 (HR 806), the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 2017, and the Brownfields Enhancement, Economic Redevelopment, and Reauthorization Act of 2017. [More information](#). All three bills passed out of the subcommittee. [Story](#)

➤ On June 15<sup>th</sup>, the House Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the President's FY 2018 Budget. Administrator Pruitt testified. [More information](#)

➤ On June 15<sup>th</sup>, the Subcommittee of the Regulatory Affairs and Federal Management of the Senate Homeland Security & Governmental Affairs Committee held a hearing on “Agency Approaches to Reorganization: Examining OMB’s Memorandum on the Federal Workforce.” [More information](#)

### **Upcoming EPA Budget Hearings and Rollouts:**

➤ **Tuesday June 27, 2017** –Senate Appropriations Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Hearing on the President’s FY 2018 Budget – Agency witness: Administrator Pruitt. 9:30am ET.

➤ **TBD** - Senate Environment and Public Works Committee Hearing on the President’s FY 2018 Budget – Agency witness: Administrator Pruitt

### **Pending Congressional Correspondence:**

Number/	Member	Subject	Assigned To	Due Date	Signature	Status
Liaison AL-17-000-9758	Rep. Nanette Barragan (D-CA-44)	Title V Permit for Tesoro Refinery	Amy Zimpfer (AIR-1)	06/20/17	Acting Regional Administrator	Pending
Liaison: Maier R9-17-000-9428	Rep. Salud Carbajal (D-CA-24)	Union Pacific Trains Idling and Impacts on Air Quality for Neighborhood Residents	Matt Lakin (AIR-2)	Extended by RCL until 06/20/17	Acting Regional Administrator	Pending
Liaison: Maier						

